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have been amended from the originally filed claim 2 and that the amendment for claim 2 listed in the Supplemental Notice of Allowability was not written as an amendment from the originally filed claim 2. Applicant's Attorney and Examiner Smith read the amendment to claim 2 that Applicant submitted on March 28, 2006, and Examiner Smith agreed that the amendment to claim 2 that Applicant submitted on March 28, 2006 was an acceptable amendment to replace the amendment to claim 2 that was listed in the Supplemental Notice of Allowability. Examiner Smith instructed Applicant's Attorney to respond to the Supplemental Notice of Allowability by submitting an amendment to claim 2 that is identical to the amendment to claim 2 that Applicant submitted on March 28, 2006.

II. Amendment

Consistent with Examiner Smith's recommendation, Applicant submits the following amendment to claim 2 to replace the amendment to claim 2 that was listed on the Supplemental Notice of Allowability. Please amend claim 2 as follows:

2. A method of matching a pet ~~The method of Claim 1, said pet being a dog, said predetermined criteria for assigning said breed code to said plurality of breeds of said pet comprising: with an appropriate product comprising the steps of~~

a. assigning a breed code to a plurality of breeds of a pet based on predetermined criteria, said predetermined criteria for assigning said breed code to said plurality of breeds of said pet comprising: a. assigning an exercise factor to each of said breeds of said pet based on predetermined criteria;

b. assigning a weight factor to each of said breeds of said pet based on predetermined criteria, and;

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e. ——combining said exercise factor and said weight factor in a predetermined manner to determine said breed code;:

- b. categorizing a product to determine whether said product is appropriate for said plurality of breeds of said pet assigned to said breed code;
- c. publishing said assignment of said breed code and said categorization of said product to allow a consumer to appropriately match said product to said breeds of said pet.

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Consistent with Examiner Smith's instructions and consistent with Examiner Smith's wording in the Supplemental Notice of Allowability, the application has been amended as follows:

Claim 1-(Cancelled)

Claim 2. (Amended) A method of matching a pet ~~The method of Claim 1, said pet being a dog, said predetermined criteria for assigning said breed code to said plurality of breeds of said pet comprising: with an appropriate product comprising the steps of~~

a. assigning a breed code to a plurality of breeds of a pet based on predetermined criteria, said predetermined criteria for assigning said breed code to said plurality of breeds of said pet comprising: ~~a.~~ assigning an exercise factor to each of said breeds of said pet based on predetermined criteria;

~~b. assigning a weight factor to each of said breeds of said pet based on predetermined criteria, and;~~

~~c. combining said exercise factor and said weight factor in a predetermined manner to determine said breed code;~~

b. categorizing a product to determine whether said product is appropriate for said plurality of breeds of said pet assigned to said breed code;

c. publishing said assignment of said breed code and said categorization of said product to allow a consumer to appropriately match said product to said breeds of said pet.

Claims 4-13 (cancelled).

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